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Clifton Neighborhood and Frank Faris Need Your Help!

For the record. . .

The photos below are of the Queen Anne house next door to Genny's Diner that you all have no doubt been following in the news. The photo on the left is a photo taken in 2000 before Frank Faris bought the property on February 6, 2001. The photo on the right is what it looks like today. The Clifton Preservation District did not come into being until October 2003, some 2 years after Mr. Faris bought it and could have torn down with no problem—though many folks in the neighborhood would not have wanted. Mr. Faris chose to not do that within that timeframe and lost that option in October 2003 when Clifton became a Preservation District. Since that time, Mr. Faris has been denied a demolition permit and has appealed that through the court system where it currently remains.

What Mr. Faris is experiencing TODAY through our District Court system and Judge Delahanty is the result of Metro Property Maintenance Code violations that have little or NO connection to the Preservation District. In other words, if this house was next to yours on your street, Metro Code Enforcement would be citing the owner and following the same legal process with fines and penalties. At the end of the day, would you want this house on your street? Of course not. Neither would I.

Having said that, though, I am not interested in finding fault or blaming anyone for this situation. What I AM interested in is getting this structure rehabbed and back on the tax rolls and occupied. That would be best for everyone! If you are interested in buying or acquiring this structure, please call Mr. Faris immediately at 893-0923 to discuss how to move forward.



In 2000



Today

What's Your Fair Housing IQ?

When it comes to one of our most basic human rights, housing, how well do you think you know your rights? Metropolitan Housing Coalition (MHC) has been contracted by the Louisville Metro Housing Department to write the *Analysis of Impediments to Fair housing Choice* in Louisville. This document will inform the Consolidated Plan which guides the future for housing in our community for the next five years. MHC is thrilled at the chance to work with the Housing Department on this vital document, but know they can't do it alone. Take the survey by [clicking here](#) or call 584-6858.

Brightside Green Tie Bash this FRIDAY!

Tickets are still available for Brightside's Green Tie Bash this Friday, March 5th at the Olmsted, 3701 Frankfort Avenue from 8:00 pm – midnight. Tickets are \$50 per person and you can purchase them by calling 574-2613 or at the door. Proceeds will benefit downtown beautification programs in partnership with Louisville Downtown Management District. *Green cocktail attire is encouraged.*

NO Junk Pick-up REMINDER!

As a reminder, there will be NO junk pickup in March. The next junk set-out period is June 18th – 20th with collection the week of June 21st. If you have junk you need to dispose of before the June collection please visit the Louisville Metro Waste Reduction Center, 636 Meriwether Avenue. You can dispose of up to 3 household junk items at no charge. For more information on what items are accepted please visit, http://www.louisvilleky.gov/SolidWaste/Junk+Disposal/SUBURBAN_AREAS.htm.

Ninth District Events!



Below are some Ninth District calendar events! To view a full listing of events please visit the **Ninth District Blog** at <http://district9news.wordpress.com/>.

If you would like to submit events to be considered for the blog calendar please email kyle.ethridge@louisvilleky.gov or call 574-1109.

Saturday, March 6: Calling all volunteers! We need you to help us plant trees along Lexington Road, between Top Hill and Cross Hill Roads. Plan to meet at corner of Top Hill Rd and Lexington Rd at 8:30 am. Bring your wheelbarrow and mulching fork and we'll provide the bags, gloves and coffee from Heine Brothers'. Call 574-1109 to sign up and for more details.

Saturday, March 6: Clifton Heights Greenway trail clearing and building is set for the first and third Saturday of each month. March 6, 20, April 3, 17, May 1, 15, June 5, 19: 9:00 am - noon. Plan to meet at the trail head at Lindsay Ave. and N. Birchwood Ave. Gloves, tools, loppers supplied. Wear sturdy shoes and long sleeves/pants. Bring your own water to drink. Call Kevin Downs at 777-5113 for more information or kdd923@msn.com to get on our volunteer email list.

Sunday, March 7: Carmichael's Bookstore, 2720 Frankfort Ave, welcomes author Stuart Warner and legendary basketball coach Jock Sutherland for a talk and book signing for "Jock: A Coach's Story". The book recounts the life of Jock Sutherland, one of the most successful and respected coaches in Kentucky high school basketball history. Jock took teams from three different schools to Kentucky's Sweet Sixteen. For more information call 896-6950.

Monday, March 8: Critical Employee Emergency Planning FREE workshop from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm at the Hilton Garden Inn, 2735 Crittenden Drive. This one-of-a kind Department of Homeland Security funded course provides First Responders, Government and Critical Infrastructure agencies and personnel with policies and planning tools for employee's families before, during, and after every kind of disaster or catastrophic event. CEEP (pronounced "KEEP") Training provides an opportunity to develop solid and realistic plans for a first responder's family that will let them know that their family members have shelter, food, clothing, funds, and other basic needs to make it through, allowing the critical infrastructure employee to focus on the job that must be done. During disasters, first responders are expected to remain on the job saving strangers without being distracted by concerns about their own family. Obviously, this is not realistic without the proper plans and procedures in place. For more information call (502) 852-8577 or visit, www.louisville.edu/ncpi